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**TO:** Plans and Programs Technical Advisory Committee (P&P TAC)

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**RE:** Status Report on the RTP Guidelines Update

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## BACKGROUND:

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is in the process of developing the 2010 California Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Guidelines, primarily, to reflect the requirements of SB 375 in developing RTPs. CTC initiated the RTP Guidelines update process in July of this year by appointing two subcommittees, namely, RTP Guidelines Subcommittee and Modeling Subcommittee. SCAG has participated on these sub-committees as well five additional work groups (Housing and Land Use, Public Participation, RTAC Coordination, RTP Sequencing, and Transportation Workgroups).

Staff has contributed input throughout the process, and especially on three key areas: 1) transportation project exemptions, 2) consistency between housing needs planning and SCS/RTP and 3) transportation modeling. Staff is continuing to work with our county transportation commissions as well as the CTC and Caltrans Headquarters staff, particularly, on the project exemption language. The Guidelines update relative to housing and land use are still being discussed at the workgroup for this subject and is a work-in-progress.

Upcoming key dates associated with the Guidelines update are:

- ◆ Nov. 10, 2009 - Comments on Oct. 26 draft due
- ◆ Nov. 23, 2009 - CTC to release next draft
- ◆ Dec. 1 or 2, 2009 - Joint meeting of RTP Guidelines and Modeling Subcommittee
- ◆ Dec. 9 or 10, 2009 - Progress report on draft to CTC (info item)
- ◆ Feb. 1, 2010 - Complete Draft RTP Guidelines
- ◆ Feb. 24 or 25, 2010 – CTC hearing in Northern California
- ◆ April 7 or 8, 2010 - CTC hearing in Southern California

Information related to the RTP Guidelines update is posted on the CTC website [www.catc.ca.gov](http://www.catc.ca.gov).